

# CLINCH VALLEY NEWS.

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## SUPT. THOMPSON TAKES CHARGE.

Prof. Williams Retires After Several Years of Faithful and Efficient Service.

Prof. Patrick Henry Williams, Superintendent of Schools, retired from office on Wednesday, turning everything over to his successor, Prof. W. Archie Thompson, the newly elected Superintendent. Mr. Williams retires after sixteen years of service, with the good will and best wishes of everybody connected with the schools of the county. During his incumbency he has done a fine work and a great deal of it, for the cause of education in the county, and doubtless could have continued in office if he had so desired. During his term he has built 48 school houses in the county, and a High School at Cedar Bluff, Richlands and Graham, and the splendid new building now going up in this town is due to his efforts. He has, in other ways, done much to stimulate and build up the cause of education in the county. One thing, however, he has not been able to do—get married, but has aided, indirectly, a number of others in joining the majority, and now, that he will retire to his farm he will have more time to devote to such matters, and may succeed yet. The office of Superintendent of schools was established with the Free School system, in 1873. The first Superintendent of Schools of the county was Rev. Jonathan Lyons, pastor of the Presbyterian church. He was succeeded by James C. Spotts, who was in turn succeeded by James H. Gillespie, and he by H. M. Smythe, and he by P. H. Williams, who was appointed in 1893. The county has had, therefore, five superintendents in 36 years.

### Pocahontas

Pocahontas, June 30. (Special).—Hon. Samuel W. Walliams, of Wytheville, was here Sunday the guest of Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Minter. Mr. J. Archie Staten, of Big Four, W. Va., was in the city Sunday the guest of his sister, Miss Daisy. Mrs. C. A. Howard, Jr., and son, Roy, of Richlands, are in the city the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Lawrence.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Acton Landon, have for their guest Miss Virginia Brockwell, of Petersburg.

Miss Gertrude Rucker, of Richlands, is in the city the guest of her friend, Miss Jones.

Mr. Julian T. Baber is in Pearisburg, the guest of relatives.

Col. James Elwood Jones, of Switchback, W. Va., was here Monday.

Miss Nettie Angle who has been visiting in Bluefield for the past week, is home.

Miss Irene Hylton, of Bramwell, W. Va., was in the city this week the guest of Miss Lillian Hensley.

Miss Pollie Simon, of East Radford, who has been the guest of her sister Mrs. Isadore Hyman, has returned to her home.

Hon. John Bailey, of Tazewell, was here this week on business.

Chas. Moore, of Mayberry, W. Va., was in the city Monday the guest of his sister Mrs. James W. Bailey.

Mrs. A. T. Draper and son left Monday for Crockett's Springs where they will spend the remainder of the summer. Miss Thelma Connors accompanied Mrs. Draper.

Fred Boray Jr., was in the city Sunday. Mr. Boray is now located at Switchback, W. Va.

Miss Minnie Foster was the guest of the Misses Caldwell in Bluefield this week.

Mrs. Frank A. Alexander of Bluefield, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. E. Jenkins, has returned to her home.

Mrs. T. B. Dennen entertained at Five Hundred Monday evening.

Mr. Harry M. Gump of Bristol, Tenn., is in the city the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. Baach, at the "Maples."

We have on hand a few 1-2 gallon preserving glass jars which we wish to dispose of and will sell for 50 cents per dozen. Did you ever hear of a price like this, eh? And we have something of interest to you in the catsup bottle line also.

The Big Rexall Store, Pocahontas.

### Norman Elders Here.

Elders H. A. Shupe, Ogden, Utah, and A. E. Bramwell, of Idaho, two Mormon Elders, have been in the community sometime preaching and visiting the adherents of their faith in this section. There are several members of the Mormon faith in this county, the fruits of a remarkable missionary effort made here years ago by some of the ablest ministers of that Church. At that time a number of the most prominent families embraced the faith, and many of them emigrated to Utah, where they or their descendants still live.

### Cleaning-Up Day.

A number of towns and cities in the state have had a general cleaning up day. Why not have such a day here? The town needs it. The rains are about over, perhaps, and with returning sunshine it would be a good thing to clean up our alleys, streets and back yards. Some one propose a day in which we shall give this town a thorough scrubbing and cleaning.

### Pythian's Banquet.

The Knights of Pythias had an enjoyable time on Monday night. After the election of officers, and the initiation of a candidate into the mysteries of the order refreshments and cigars were enjoyed and a good time generally was had. The lodge expressed the highest appreciation of two nice cakes sent—one by Mrs. Albert Hagy and one by Mrs. W. K. Verneilion.

### Brick Work on School Building Finished.

McConnell Bros., Contractors, have finished the bricklaying on the School building, except a small job in the basement. This work was completed in about 47 days, notwithstanding frequent interruptions during the month of June by rain. The contract allowed 70 days, but it was finished nearly a month ahead of the time limit. As some one said, "this was layin' 'em some." McConnell Bros., are skillful and energetic workmen. They move themselves and so must their helpers, and they get there. The young men made a good impression upon Tazewell people, as sober, quiet gentlemen young fellows. They have commenced another large building in their home town of Williamson.

### Mr. Gillespie Wont Accept.

In answer to a number of inquiries the News states that so far as can be learned, Mr. A. P. Gillespie adheres to his original decision positively refusing to become a candidate for Governor. A few men are met who say that he will be nominated at Newport News, and, owing to the pressure will be compelled to accept. Others declare that he will not be nominated, as it would be bad political policy to run a man who does not want to run, and who would not put his whole heart into the race. It seems pretty clear from all that can be gathered, that Mr. Gillespie will not be the defeated candidate for Governor in Virginia this good year, 1909.

### Thomas Blankenship Dead.

On the 27 inst., Mr. E. Thomas Blankenship died at the residence of his son at Richlands. The funeral was conducted by Rev. J. N. Harman at the cemetery on Monday at 2 p. m. The burial took place on Mr. Blankenship's farm about three miles South of Richlands.

He leaves a widow and two children, M. H. Blankenship and a daughter, Mrs. Geo. D. Horton. He was a member of the firm of Blankenship and Horton, of Richlands.

He was about 50 years old.

### Tailor Coming.

A representative of the Custom Tailoring Department of the well known house of Strouse and Bros., Baltimore makers of HIGH ART CLOTHING, will be here on Tuesday and Wednesday, July 6th, 7th displaying the newest fabrics for the coming Fall and Winter.

Amongst this display, are cloth conceptions of sufficient variety to meet the requirements of taste and fashion—exclusive designs that you will find displayed only in the foremost merchant tailoring shops of all the leading cities of this as well as other countries. Remember the dates. JOHN S. BOTTIMORE, Tazewell, Va.

### Unaka.

Unaka, June 30.—Samuel L. Burton, of Northfork, was home Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. Kate Whitley and her sister, Miss Ella Lawrence, were the guests of Mr. F. P. Rutherford Sunday. Both ladies were from North Tazewell.

William Yost, of Flat Top, was home last Sunday.

Luther Rutherford, from Williamson, was visiting homefolks Sunday.

Rev. D. T. Miles will preach at Mt. Olivet Sunday at 11 a. m. Concord at 3:30 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Cooper, and Little Louise, left Monday for their home at Northfork. Mrs. Cooper has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Burton, for several weeks.

Mr. Homer Anderson and Miss Lizzie Carr, of Graham, were the guests of the Misses Burton last Sunday.

Miss Adah Burton, of this place, Annie Rhudy, of Burke's Garden, Noy Compton, Clear Fork, all left Monday for Big Stone Gap, to attend Normal.

Luther Baugh is sick at this writing. They think he has typhoid fever.

## SPECIAL SALE

Sacrificing is just the word to describe fittingly our

## GREAT CLOTHING SALE

Which Will Commence on

## THURSDAY, July 1

And Continue For Thirty Days Only.

DON'T MISS IT

Every new spring suit, overcoat and pair of trousers; every article in childrens and boys clothing, our hats and furnishings are included in this

A MONEY SAVER

## Great Sacrifice SALE!

We make it a point to carry over from one season to the next as little stock as possible. We want the room for our large fall and winter stocks now on the road. So we are willing to make a great sacrifice on the stock on hand in order to close it out. Remember date.

Harrison & Gillespie Bros  
The Big Store

### Judges for Primary Election

Following is the list of Judges in Tazewell county appointed to hold Democratic Primary Election on August 5th.

Tazewell.—G. W. Doak, J. H. Stuart, A. J. May.

No. Tazewell.—J. H. Whitley, D. E. Thompson, H. F. Ireson.

Benbow.—J. S. Wimmer, D. W. Lynch Haines Buchanan.

Thompson Valley.—A. J. Larimer, Jos. Cregar, W. Archie Thompson.

Freestone.—Jno. A. Neal, A. B. Correll W. P. Vanhoozer.

Crockett's Cove.—D. W. Dudley, J. W. Daniel, S. A. Yates.

Dry Fork.—Jas. M. Pruitt, M. J. Beavers, G. J. Lampert.

Gap Store.—J. W. Maxwell, J. M. Catron, Thos. Catron.

Liberty Hill.—M. W. Humphreys, J. S. White, W. G. Gillespie.

Poor Valley.—J. P. Hill, F. H. Hill, Jas. C. Taylor.

Midway.—Jas. A. Repass, W. N. Jackson, A. L. Steele.

Richlands.—W. P. Bogges, C. B. Orr, A. E. Clark.

Cedar Bluff.—Jas. C. Spotts, W. F. McGuire, T. A. Repass.

Lockhart's Chapel.—J. C. Henkle, J. Harve Heavers, Jno Lambert.

Baptist Valley.—H. S. Lockhart, Wm Conner, Guy Harrison.

Pounding Mill.—Jno B. Hurt, C. P. Williams, Milton Harris.

Gratton.—G. S. Gildersleeve, J. E. Buchanan, P. G. Baugh.

Cove Creke.—T. L. Shuffelbarger, J. E. Gilliam, C. G. Stowers.

Tip Top.—G. P. McMullin, Jno F. Gillespie, E. K. Crockett.

Bluestone.—J. W. Shannon, J. H. Summers, Edward Scott.

Graham.—C. A. Graham, S. E. Payne, S. M. Harvey.

Falls Mills.—T. E. Tabor, C. J. Hale, I. H. Harry.

Abbs Valley.—O. B. Moore, S. O. Wagoner, A. E. Moore.

Pocahontas.—Sol Baach, A. W. Landon, Thos Davis.

By order of County Committee, A. S. Higginbotham, Chairman.

Pineoles for the kidneys are a natural aid. They readily dissolve and are quickly assimilated. They will give prompt relief from backache, weak back, bladder inflammation and urinary disorders. Sold by Jno. E. Jackson, Richlands Phar. Richlands, Va.

## BUSTON LOTS TO BE SOLD SOON

Realty Company, of Huntington, Will Make Sales—Watch For Notice.

We can confidently state that Tazewell is to have a real estate boom this summer, which may mean great things for the town. Mr. J. W. Dingus, of the Bowman Realty Company, of Huntington, W. Va., has been here this week in conference with Mr. J. G. Buston, looking the land over, and making the necessary arrangements to put the lots on the market. All the plans have not been worked out in detail, but the company will take charge of the entire property and put in on the market in their own way. They have been eminently successful in promoting land sales all over the country. This move on the part of Mr. Buston and the realty company will put new life into this town. A definite announcement will be made next week.

### Come In.—The Water's Fine!

You are invited to become a subscriber to this paper. You need it to keep up with the news of your home county. Especially should you keep posted as to what is being one and proposed to be done by the Fair management this Fall.

Send us your name and one dollar for a year's subscription, or fifty cents for 6 months, or 25 cents for three months.

"Good corn weather but bad harvesting weather," is what the farmers say. It is also good "weed weather." The gardens are the finest ever, but look out for the weeds. Pull 'em, cut 'em, get rid of them before they go to seed.

Summer coughs and colds are obstinate and difficult to cure. The most prompt method is to take something pleasant which will gently move the bowels; a good laxative cough syrup such as Laxative Cough Syrup will surely and promptly cure your cold. Sold by Jno. E. Jackson, Richlands Phar. Richlands, Va.

### "Lick Skillet."

A letter reaches us from a friend at "Lick Skillet" but without a signature. If the gentleman who lives on the Lick will sign his name we will be glad to publish his letters. By the way how did that place get its name? Is it because meat is "skase" in that neighborhood and the children have to lick the skillet if they get any gravy?

We remember hearing the darkeys sing: "O Lawd Mammy look at Sam, Done eat all de meat, now soppin' out de pan," but as to Lick Skillet you've got us.

### Benbow

Benbow, June 29.—Owing to the wet weather that people are behind with their corn.

Mrs. James Harris was visiting her sister at Richlands last week.

Miss Helen Wimmer and Miss Carries (repat) are at home again after two weeks visit on Bluestone and at Graham among their friends.

Mrs. Dora Thompson of Tazewell is visiting her home folks and other friends.

Mr. and Mrs. John Catron of Graham, are visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Hagy, of Richlands, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. James Harris.

Mr. Guss Waytt and Mr. Will Harris went to Ceres last Friday and Saturday and back through Burke's Garden on a business trip.

Mr. George Compton made a flying trip to Smythe last Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Rose Witten, Miss Ada Compton, Mrs. Dora Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. John Catron, Mr. Duke Matthews were the guests of Mr. Joseph Cregar Monday night.

Miss Alice Wyatt, of Cedar Bluff, is at her sister's Mrs. Wiley Walk.

### MOONSHINERS CAPTURED.

Deputies, Geo. Harrison and "Pet" Shrader arrested two men, William and Levi Murphy, on Thursday of last week, for selling whiskey without license, and after a hearing before Commissioner, T. A. Gillespie, lodged them in jail here to await the action of the Federal Grand Jury. The Murphys are brothers, and were selling liquor at Richlands on Show day, and afterwards went to Raven, where they were arrested.

### Coming Marriages—Sick Improving.

Gratton, June 30.—Mr. J. A. Leslie: Here are a few Gratton news items:—

Rev. D. T. Miles preaches at Mt. Olivet next Sunday.

Dr. Nidermiller, who has been ill for time is improving slowly.

Mr. Robert Nidermiller and Miss Hallie Carbaugh, will be married at the brides home July 20th.

The marriage of Mr. R. J. Howerly and Miss Mary Burton, is announced for July 27, at the home of the bride-to-be, near Concord.

Yours truly, B. G.

### Burke's Garden.

Burke's Garden, June 30.—Mrs. Walton H. Greever arrived last Saturday from Columbia S C to visit Mr. Greever's parents and other relatives and friends here. Mrs. Greever was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Bruegel, a charming lady from Philadelphia. After spending a few weeks in the Garden, Mrs. Bruegel will visit her Mother in Zanesville, Ohio.

Rev D T Miles, Mrs. Fox and Mr. Short spent the week end at District Conference in Pocahontas.

The meeting at the Baptist church, conducted by Rev Mr Thompson of Bluefield, is being well attended. On next Sunday dinner will be served on the grounds. Everybody is cordially invited to come and bring a basket of lunch. The ordinance of Baptism will be administered on Sunday afternoon in the water near Mr J R Meeks residence.

Rev D H Carr who has been ill at the Pansorage for the past week is improving.

Among the young ladies who left Monday to attend the Normal at Emory were: Misses Gertrude and Maggie Howell and Fanny Mongie.

The Children's Day Services held at Central Church on last Sunday proved a pleasing success. Congratulations to the girls and boys!

Mrs. George W. Moss, and daughter Miss Nannie Rose went to Tazewell Wednesday on a shopping trip. Mr. and Mrs. Moss expect to leave in a few days for a fashionable Watering Place.

The Lutheran League held a small though very interesting meeting at the Chapel last Sunday at the usual hour. Rev E L Ritchie hopes that all ages and denominations will combine to make the League a success.

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## LOCAL NEWS

If you want fine rust proof cats at 60c per bushel ask this office

Roy S. Thompson, returned on Sunday from his visit to Texas and other western states

Wm H Werth has returned from a week's attendance upon Federal court in Roanoke

Mrs. Cook is now prepared to take a number of boarders in her new quarters on Tazewell avenue. Good board and lodging for about \$1 00 er day

Frank Hopkins has secured a position in West Virginia with the railroad company, and is at work like a man

Policeman Hawkins states that all the young men who celebrated the 4th by shooting bombs, etc, last night will be taken before the Mayor and fined

The postoffice at Five Oaks has been discontinued, the patrons of the office being served now from North Tazewell.

Miss Carrie Spotts, so well known in Tazewell, is at North Tazewell after a winter in Roanoke nursing a badly sprained ankle. She will have charge of the music department of the Honaker High School next year